

## **FIREFIGHTER**

(Competitive Class)

### **DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS**

The class of Firefighter comprises entrance level positions in the fire fighting division of fire department operations. Employees of this class primarily receive training for tasks such as controlling and extinguishing fires, performing rescue work, and maintaining fire department equipment, building, and grounds. Such training may consist of formal classroom study and/or drill sessions, as well as closely supervised on-the-job experience. Employees of this class are supervised by fire captains and this class ranks directly below that of Fire Engineer.

### **EXAMPLES OF WORK**

Examples listed below are illustrative only. They are not intended to include all duties which may be assigned, neither are they intended to exclude other duties which may be logical assignments to this class.

Participates in assigned training drills either as an individual or as a member of a group. Attends special schools or courses assigned. Reads and studies assigned material related to performance of work.

Trains for and performs firefighting and rescue tasks such as connecting, carrying, and operating hose lines, ventilating buildings, and using ladders, lines, and other equipment to aid in fighting fires or removing fire and accident victims to safety.

Administers emergency medical care to victims of fire and accident either on the scene of an emergency or enroute to the hospital.

Cleans, dries, inspects, and properly secures any assigned firefighting equipment such as hoses, hand tools, portable breathing apparatus, ladders, or related equipment. Cleans and services fire department vehicles.

Performs tasks necessary for the proper maintenance of station and grounds such as cleaning floors and windows, emptying trash cans, mowing grass, or related duties.

Performs public relations duties such as calming excited citizens at a fire scene, providing information to the public concerning the work of the fire department, conducting station tours for individuals or civic groups, or related duties.

Performs fire prevention or fire inspection tasks such as inspecting fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, or portable fire

extinguishers, studying the district to become familiar with the location of fire plugs or water lines, interpreting or enforcing fire laws, ordinances, and regulations, and related duties.

Performs related duties as assigned, or as required for protection of life and property when directed by superior officers.

### **QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Unless otherwise specified, all requirements listed below must be met by filing deadline for admission to the test.

Must submit a completed application to the St. Bernard Fire Civil Service Board secretary.

Must meet all requirements of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Law, including being a citizen of the United States, and of legal age.

Must be not less than eighteen (18) nor more than thirty-five (35) years of age.

Applicant must possess one of the following: high school diploma, high school equivalency certificate, high school transcript, affidavit from the issuing high school, associate's or bachelor's degree, or college transcript, any one of which must indicate that graduation has occurred or a degree awarded. A certification of completion shall not be sufficient to substitute for a diploma or equivalency certificate.

After offer of employment, but before beginning work in this class, must pass a physical examination, the selection and administration of which shall be authorized by the Appointing Authority, designed to demonstrate good health and physical fitness sufficient to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation.

Must possess a valid driver's license.

Must have the following certifications prior to completion of the working test period:

- Firefighter II
- Hazardous Materials Awareness
- Hazardous Materials Operations

Must have and maintain certification and be nationally registered as an Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) or higher prior to completion of working test period.

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